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Sam Brownback, Governor

## **EXECUTIVE ORDER 15-07**

## Protecting Kansas From Terrorism

WHEREAS, the well-being of the State of Kansas and its citizens is threatened by the scourge of international terrorism; and

WHEREAS, Kansas locations previously have been targeted for terrorist acts of violence, and the perpetrators have been apprehended and prosecuted; and

WHEREAS, the recent terror attacks in Paris have heightened concerns about protecting Kansas and ensuring the safety and security of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, the terrorist perpetrators of the Paris attacks appear to have ties to the Syrian refugee population; and

WHEREAS, I have concluded that the admission of Syrian refugees to the State of Kansas presents an unacceptable risk to the safety and security of the State of Kansas.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Kansas, I hereby order and direct as follows:

No department, commission, board, or agency of the government of the State of Kansas shall aid, cooperate with, or assist in any way the relocation of refugees from Syria to the State of Kansas. This Order includes, but is not limited to, the Kansas Refugee Program, the Refugee Resettlement Program, and the Refugee Social Service Program administered within the Kansas Department for Children and Families, and the Kansas Refugee Preventive Health Program administered within the Kansas Department of Health and Environment. Furthermore, this Order also includes the funding or administration of any grant program under the authority of the State of Kansas.

This document shall be filed with the Secretary of State as Executive Order No. 15-07 and shall become effective immediately.

THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

BY THE GOVERNOR

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